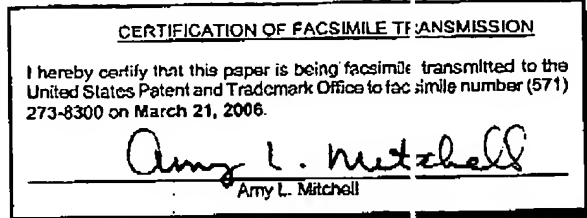


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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2006

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application and in response to the Office Action mailed September 21, 2005, kindly consider the following remarks toward reconsideration of the present application. This Response is being filed in connection with a three-month extension of time, extending the date for responding to the Office Action to March 21, 2006. Therefore, this Response is considered timely.